## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

ISAAC BRIGGS, Inmate #B73562,	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
vs.	)	CIVIL NO. 05-cv-266-DRH
ROBERT R. DIXON, et al.,	)	
Defendants.	)	

## MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

## **HERNDON**, Chief Judge:

Plaintiff has filed motions for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* on appeal (Docs. 114 and 117). However, Plaintiff has not submitted a certified copy of his prison trust fund account statement for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of the notice of appeal] as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff shall submit, within THIRTY (30) DAYS of the date of the entry of this order, a certified copy of his prison trust fund account statement for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of the notice of appeal. Plaintiff is ADVISED that in the event he has been transferred among institutions during this six-month period, it is Plaintiff's responsibility to obtain a copy of his prison trust account statement from each such facility and to forward it to the Court.

Plaintiff is **FURTHER ADVISED** that his obligation to pay the \$455 filing fee for this appeal was incurred at the time the notice of appeal was filed; such an obligation will exist whether or not Plaintiff is granted leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* on appeal. *See Newlin v. Helman*, 123

F.3d 429 (7th Cir. 1997), overruled on other grounds, Lee v. Clinton, 209 F.3d 1025, 1026 (7th Cir.

2000). Failure to file a certified copy of the prison trust account statement required by 28

U.S.C. § 1915 (a)(2) within thirty days will be construed as equivalent to a decision to dismiss

**the appeal.** See Thurman v. Gramley, 97 F.3d 185, 187 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1996).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

**DATED:** November 17, 2008

/s/ DavidRHerndon
DISTRICT JUDGE

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